WALTER WOOD IS A FREE MAN

Acquitted of the Murder of Jack

A VERY REMARKABLE TRIAL.

His First Verdict Was Fifteen Years in the Penitentiary-The Prosecuting Attorney Has Since Died. History of the Case.

NEWPORT NEWS VA. Feb. 23.-Spe cial.-The jury which tried Walter Wood this week for the murder of Jack Gloven this morning at 11 o'clock returned a verdict of not guilty.

The case is one of the most notable in the record of the Corporation Court of this city. Wood had formerly been a bartender for Gloven, who, though known

as a dangerous man when aroused, had the the reputation for being absolutely square with those with whom he had business transactions. Wood, though a small man, also had a reputation as a dangerous person.

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He and Gloven quarreled and separated. Upon one occasion Gloven beat him brutally, according to testimony. It was, however, some time after this eventon January 22, 1828, to be exoct—that Wood, armed with a revolver, went down on Twenty-third street and found Gloven sitting in front of his place of business. According to the evidence, he asked Gloven to step across the street to a vacant lot and fight a duel with him. Gloven, if the testimony of several witnesses is credible, was unarmed. He expressed his readiness to fight, and started in the house for his revolver. As he was maken the control of the revolver. defence claimed that Wood thought Gloven was armed; that Gloven, with his hand thrust behind him as though reach-

ven was armed: that Gloven, with his hand thrust behind him as though reaching for his hip pecket, was advancing on Wood instead of going into the house. CONFLICT OF TESTIMONY. Thus it will be seen there was a flat, direct contradiction of testimony on both sides. There were, too, almost as many witnesses to swear to the self-defence theory as there were to swear to the theory that the murder was unprovoked. The jury was left to decide between the veracity of the witnesses and to figure out the probabilities of the situation. The first trial was a memorable one, lasting a week. Commonwealth's Attorney J. K. M. Newton, now dead, conducted the State's case in a remarkably thorough and effective manner, and his first address to the jury was one of the finest things in the way of argument ever made before a Newport News court.

ever made before a Newport News court ever made before a Newport News court.

The defence was handled in a brilliant manner by R. M. Lett and Colonel R. E. Boykin, of Isle of Wight, then partners. When the case went to the jury it seemed probable that a first degree verdict would be returned. The jury, however, found the prisoner guilty of murder in the second degree and fixed his punishment at fifteen years in the penitentiary.

tentiary.

The usual motion to set aside the verdect was made, and his Honor. Judge Berham, after hearing the argument on the motion, decided to sustain the motion. The case was set for retrial several times, but was postponed for one reason or another until last Monday, when the new trial began.

CHANCES IMPROVE.

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It was realized that Wood's chances were much better than they were at the first trial. A number of the State's most important witnesses had disappeared, among them Phillip Perez, who saw the shooting and was largely instrumental in convicting the prisoner the first time.

Only one of the lawyers who participated in the first trial was in the case, Mr. Lett, who some months ago dissolved partnership with Colonel Boykin. In the Colonel's steal, there was retained for the defense, C. C. Mitchell, an able criminal lawyer. C. V. Robinson, the newly-appointed Commonwealth's Attorney, associated with him Colonel J. C. Baker. These gentlemen, as a matter of course, were handicapped.

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not only by the absence of material witnesses, but by hhe fact that they had to take the case up in the middle. All day Monday was devoted to an effort to secure a panel from which to select a jury. This panel was not completed until Tuesday morning, when the taking of evidence began. By 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon the evidence was all, in and instructions, practically the same as those used at the first trial, were with the jury. Argument was consame as those used at the first trial, were with the jury. Argument was con-THE VERDICT.

The attorneys on both sides addressed the jury with unusual ability, though briefly. It was hoped that a verdict would be obtained Wednesday night, but the jury could not agree. Judge Ear-team would not hold court yesterday, it being a legal holiday, and, according-ly, held the jury over until this morn-ing. Shortly after court convened, word was sent in that a verdict had been agreed upon. Fifteen minutes later Walter Wood, who had been a prisoner for over a year in fail, and who had stood almost within the gates of the penitentiary, walked out of court a free man. He was warmly congratulated by his friends, and Messrs, Lett and Mitchell are still receiving congratulations when what is belief them. tione upon what is looked upon as a remarkable legal victory.

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It was stated this morning upon ex-cellent authority that the jury, apon the first ballot, stood eleven to one for ac-quittal. This was the ballot up until the last, when the twelfth man finally

gave in.

Aside from his connection with this case. Wood's chief claim to noteriety consisted in the fact that he was one of the best pool players in Virginia.

This is the second acquittal in murder cases since Mr. Newton's death. There is still another case, left by him, to be tried—that of Billy O'Boyle, who is charged with the murder of Alma Hamilton, a mulatto woman. O'Boyle was found guilty of murder in the first degree at his first trial. A motion for a new trial is now pending, and will probably be decided this term.

COUNTRY STORE BURNED.

The Loss Heavy - A German at

Boydton.

BoyDTON, VA., Feb. 23.—Special.—
Mr. Neely Jones' store-house, at Union
Level, was destroyed by fire Wednesday
night, together with his stock of general
merchandisc. Mr. Jones had only \$1,000
insurance on his stock. His loss will be
quite heavy. The origin of the fire is
not known. not known.

not known.

The young people had a german in Waller's Hall on Wednesday night, which was led by Mr. While Carter and Mrs.

W. A. Bryson. The german was given in honor of Miss Nannie Tarry, who is visiting friends in Boydton. A singular

Brain Workers. Horsford's Acid Phosphate

Strengthens the exhausted and confused brain, relieves nervous headache and induces refreshing sleep. Genuine bears name Horsroup's on wrapper



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Company) made a revolu-

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goes higher. Every batch we bake is better. Every box increases your liking.

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NATIONAL BISCUIT COMPANY.

coincidence was that all the young ladies in attendance wore black dresses.

BACKING ROYALL.

The People Admire His Stand Against

the State Bank Tax.

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BOYDTON, VA., Feb. 23.—Special.—
The bold stand taken by Mr. W. L.
Royall for the right of State banks to
issue their own notes without the payment of the 10 per cent. tax is much admired, and the people everywhere will
give him all the encouragement possible,
that the constitutionality of this unjust
law may be tested.

Mr. Royall's reputation as a constitutional lawyer will give the people great
contidence in his final ability to overthrow this arbitrary and unjust measure,

Blick's Murderers

EMPORIA, VA., Feb. 23.—Special.— George Blick, who was assaulted on the night of the 21st, died at 6 o'clock yesterday evening. He will be buried this

sternay evening. He will be buried this atternoon at Reams, Va.

The authorities made a close search of the town and have arrested several suspicious looking negroes. Circumstances point to Jacob Barlow, a very notorious enaracter, who had several blood stains

on his clothing for which he could give 10 account. His first statement was that they were

not his clothes, and the second statement was that he had killed a beef and had gotten this blood on his clothing. But he could give no proof as to either. A preiminary trilal will be held here this

morning.

This is considered one of the most bru-tal murders that has ever occurre in this

Boanoke College Affairs.

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SALEM, VA., Feb. 23.—Special.—The
forty-fourth annual celebration of the
Ciceronian Literary Society of Roanoke
Jelges, which took place in the Town
fall last night, was quite a success, a
large audience being present.

The students of Roanoke College took
holiday yesterday, it being Washington's birthday, by not attending classes.

Mrs. C. E. Arlift, of this city, died yesterday morning at 2 o'clock of consumption, at her home, on Union street. She
was the daughter of Mr. William GorJon, of Salem, and a consistent member
of the Christian clurch. Funeral services to-day, and interment in cemetery
nearby.

nearby.

A night school for the working class has been organized here. Room rent, fuel and lights will be furnished free by friends.

A number of delegates to the State Convention of the Eaptist, Young Peaple's Union, in Roanoke, visited Salem to-day.

CARROLLTON, GA., Fcb. 23.-Word has

een received here that Mr. Bee Ward hot and killed Mr. Bud Maxwell at the atter's home near Black Jack Mountain

The two men are of good family and are clated. It is said that the fight arose bout Ward's attentions to Maxwell's sis-

VETERANS INVITED.

To Attend Meeting of Sons of Vete-

rans-Valuable Books Presented.

The regular meeting of the R. E. Lee

The regular meeting of the R. E. Lee Camp No. 1, C. V., was held last night, Commander D. C. Richardson presiding. The invitation of the Sons of Veterans to the members of the camp to attend their public meeting on next Monday night was accepted. The circular letter commending to the Confederate veterans the reunion of Confederate and Union veterans at Chickamauga Park from October 19th to 14th 1920 was read. The

veterans at Chickamauga Park from October 10th to 14th, 1900, was read. The camp voted to extend an invitation to the Richmond Howitzers Battery, with Captain R. A. Williams, to escort the camp's delegation to Louisville, Ky., on the occasion of the United Confederate Veterans'

Mr. B. F. Johnson, Dr. J. Harvey Gill, Dr. G. Smith and Mr. Josiah Ryland pre-sented to the camp library some very valuable books, for which the camp voted

INTEREST UNABATED.

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ery effort to capture the murderers.

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Prices of Material are Yielding From Extreme Height.

BEST NEWS FOR THE COUNTRY.

Since Industries Could Not Long Prosper Without Reaction from Prices Caused by Actual or Suprosed Scarcity.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23 .- R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade to-morrow

will say: Prices for materials are yielding. If not the best news possible for some speculators, it is the best that could come for the country, since industries could not long prosper without reaction from the extreme prices caused by actual or supposed scarcity of materials last year. Some help comes from new iron furnaces that have opened or approach completion; some from famine in India, which sends some from famine in India, which sends hither ship-loads of hides; some from the much increased flocks of sheep, which have weathered the winter, and some from the opening of new iron, zinc or copper mines. The couses are many, but the revision of quotations gives promise of greater activity in all the chief industries. The great from industry has been emgreater activity in all the chief industries. The great fron industry has been embarrassed by prices for plg and billets, which were no longer sustained by the gradually yielding prices of products. Considerable transactions are now reported at Philadelphia, \$1 to \$1.50 per ton below recent quotations; at Pittsburg, 20,600 tons Bessemer have been sold and 75,000 tons below the propried to the pr Dessemer have been sold and 75,000 tons billets, both iron and steel being reported \$1 per ton lower. The billets, both from and steel deng reports

\$1 per ton lower. The new furnaces supplying foundry iron have been competing
sharply at the east, and small sales of
Bessemer have been made for Pittsburg
delivery at 59 to 65 cents below previous
quotations. Sheets are strengthened there
but the arm combinations though it does by the new combinations, though it does not embrace some large works, but with not embrace some large works, but with this addition of 500,000 tons yearly and its sales to the hoop and tin plate companies, the National Steel has secured large and rich mines in Minnesota.

. BIG ORDERS.

Plates are still weak, as most consumers are provided far ahead, but a Pacific order covers 2,000,060 tons, and the Chicago and Northwestern has placed orders at the cust for 5,000 tons bridge work. Rail mills are full, but have taken a small contract for export, and better business enables tin-plate works, which have been tille to resume.

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Cheaper hides and leather enabled boot and shoe makers to take contracts for split godds at 21.2c. less than prices recently asked, and some large sales have resulted, giving part of the shops work for some time. Others are getting very few orders, and some are stopping or expected to stop in two weeks. The yielding in split leather began early this month. few orders, and some are stopping of expected to stop in two weeks. The yielding in split leather began early this month, and sole a week earlier, and has reached 1 cent per pound, while this week union backs and kin and glove grain upper leather are cheaper. Hides at Chicago have again yielded, making three per cent. fall in a month, and 7.3 per cent. since December 18th. Supplies accumulate, and on wharves at Jersey City 250,003 sides were landed from India. Shipments of boots and shoes from the east have been in three weeks 28,183 cases, against 243,379 in 1898, the largest previous year.

WOOL HIGHER.

WOOL HIGHER. At last it is admitted that wool quotations, so long held, are fully 3 cents per scoured pound higher than prices in large actual sales last week and since, large actual sales last week and since, the decline covering grades between one-quarter blood and lower, which is in demand and scarce, and fine fliecce graded XX or above. The explanations are many; the fact is that when mills made enormous sales of heavy-weight goods and then bought no wool, the fable that their stocks were exhausted ceased to have force. In fine medium territory, selling at 58 cents scoured, and other wool down to the low grades, the fall is general, and English markets are also weaker. Goods of fine grades have been opened with much less advance in price weaker. Goods of the grades have occupied with much less advance in price than was made in cheaper grades, but scancellations continue numerous.

Prices of cottons are still advancing, the Fall River committee having raised all its goods, and in spite of heavy port receipts, spot cotton advanced to 9.66 cents.

cents.
Failures in three weeks have been \$7,-241,230, against \$7,129,780 last year, and \$7,-293,439 in 1893; but in the previous years they exceeded \$10,600,000. Manufacturing were \$2,555,335, against \$3,543,964 (ast year,

were \$2,505,505, against \$3,613,964 inst year, and trading were \$3,\$22,509, against \$3,-237,472 last year. Fallures for the week have been, in the United States 201, against 191 last year, and 33 in Canada, against 40 last year.

THE TELEPHONE BILL.

Views of a Gentleman Who Has Been Watching the Fight. (Communicated.)

A gentleman who has been watching the trend of legislative sentiment, said vesterday:

"There has been no time since the telephone fight began when the prospects of the passage of the bill seemed brighter. The more consideration that is given the The more consideration that is given the bill, the more attractive its features become. The hue and cry which was first raised by its opponents was based upon statements which were not borne out by the provisions of the bill. So far as the opposition to the bill is not purely interested, a study of the bill discloses that the purpose contemplated by the incorporators is not only one of great public benefit, but that the rights of cities and towns, and the public generally have been carefully and conscientiously conserved. Every suggestion made by the opponents of the bill in the line of securing municipal control has been accepted and adopted by the friends of the bill, and the only thing that the incorporators ask is that the cities shall not be allowed to exercise the power of prohibition, and thus make a comprehensive system of telephone service impossible. They have agreed that every regulation which does not amount to a prohibition shall be in the power of the municipal governments to enact; and the phraseology of the bill has been so altered by the Committee on General Laws of the Senate, that he who runs may read. And this phraseology is this: That the company shall have the power to maintain and operate lines, with necessary fixtures and appliances, in, under and along the streets, alleys and highways, subject to the following conditions:

"That the ordinary use of such streets, highways and lwaters be not thereby obstructed, and that the said company shall be subject to reasonable regulations by the corporate authorities of any city or town as to the use of streets and alleys, and in respect to the bill, the more attractive its features be-

of any city or town as to the use of streets and alleys, and in respect to the ocation and proper maintenance of such location and proper maintenance of such lines of telephone or telegraph within the limits of such city or town. If any city or town and said company differ as to the reasonableness of any such regulations, either party shall have the right to apply by petition, upon reasonable notice, to the Corportion or Circuit Court having, jurisdiction over said city or town, or the judge thereof in vacation, to determine upon the petition, answer,

and evidence what are reasonable regulations, the evidence to be oral or by depositions, as the said court or judge may direct, or both; the matter to be determined on its merits, and no demurrer or technical objection to be interposed. The court or judge before whom such application is made, after deciding the matters involved, shall, upon the request of either party, tertify the evidence as a part of the record, and either party shall have a right to apply for an appeal and supersedeas to the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia, from the decision of the said-court or judge, which appeal shall be proceeded in, heard and finally determined as in like cases made appeal shall be proceeded in, heard and finally determined as in like cases made and provided. And the said company shall properly restore such portions of any streets, alleys, highways and public places disturbed by said company, by reason of the construction of its lines, to as good condition as they were in prior to the construction of the lines of said company. But this company shall not begin the construction of its lines in any city or town until an effort has been made by it to agree with such city or town upon reasonable regulations; and town upon reasonable regulations; and if the said company and said city or if the said company and said city or town fail to agree upon reasonable regu-lations, then application may be made by either party, after reasonable notice, by petition, to the Circuit or Corporation Court having jurisdiction over such city or town, or the judge thereof in vacation, as hereinbefore provided, to determine what are reasonable regulations; and said court or judge shall decide and deter-mine under what regulations said compa-ny may construct its line in such city or ny may construct its line in such city of town, and shall enter all such orders as may be necessary or proper to give effect to its decision, and upon such petition the same proceedings shall be had, and there shall be the same right to apply to the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia from the decision of said court or judge as is hereinbefore more particularly provided, and the decision of said Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia shall be final." town, and shall enter all such orders as

termine what are reasonable regulations Nothing could be fairer than that. If the ful exactions, then the matter will be heard and determined by their own court, and from the action of the Corporation or Circuit Court both the city and the company have the right to appeal to the Court of Appeals of the State of Virginia, and nownere else. What just grounds have the municipalities for denying a power of their own courts to say what

power of their own courts to say what is reasonable when a controversy arises? These courts are organized to determine all questions arising between citizens, and between citizens and the municipality. It determines all questions arising between the Commonwealth and the citizens of a city or town. If a man is tried zens of a city or town. If a man is tried tween the Commonwealth and the citi-zens of a city or town. If a man is tried for his life, where the offence is com-mitted within a city, he is tried in the Corporation Court. If it is a question of property, the matter is determined by the Circuit or Corporation Court. "These courts are local and surely could not have any prejudice against their own communities; and being menchasen with

communities; and being men chosen with a regard to their fitness for such judicia to the fullest extent the right of self-government and the control of all its local affairs and the control and regulation of all public works within their city limits, they ought not to have the right to be allowed to hold up a great public work because of caprice or whim or a less worthy motive. This is particularly true of a comprehensive system of telephone service, such as this bill endeavors to provide for for any break in the continuity. service, such as this bill endeavors to provide for, for any break in the continuity of the system would mean the destruction of the system, and no sane man would put his money in an enterprise which would be absolutely at the mercy of a number of local legislative bodies, some of which might be controlled by interested motives.

motives.

"The bill further provides that this company shall give bond, with good security, in a reasonable sum, conditioned to indemnify any city or town against any judgment recovered against such city or town by reason of the occupancy of its

"It provides further in section 12, that "It provides further in section I2, that the granting of the charter shall not be construed as exempting the company from the operation of any general law which the Legislature may pass, regulating the tolls or charges of telephone or telegraph companies, and that the charter its companies is the provided to repeal or modification. elf shall be subject to repeal or modif self shall be subject to repeat of indication by the Legislature at its pleasure. So that an unprejudiced mind will observe that every proper and just power of every town or city is absolutely safeguarded, and it is a consideration of these provisions and a realization of the great benefits to be derived from a comprehen-sive telephone system when adopted, that is making the bill stronger before both bodles of the Legislature every day."

Musical Concert.

The concert to be given at Calvary Bap

splendid array of talent has been secured to grace the occasion.

Miss Gay Ragland, the celebrated soprano, who has won fame on the operatic stage, will be one of the soloists. Mr. Rueckert, who sings a rich basso, will also sing, and Miss Calder, the only living female tenor, will also be there

THAT THROBBING HEADACHE Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for Sick and Nervous Headaches. They make pure blood and strong nerves and build up your health. Easy to take. Try them. Only 25 cents. Money back if not cured. Sold by Owen & Minor Drug Co., druggists. Co., druggists.

MOTHERS WITH CROUPY CHIL-

Will find Dr. David's Cough Syrup the best on earth for Coughs, Colds, Croup, Bronchitis. It cures the cough and gives sleep and rest to the patient.

It cures Coughs, Colds, Croup, and Throat and Lung troubles.

RELIABLE VACCINE VIRUS.

QUESTIONS FOR

If you were offered sure aid in time of trouble, would you put it aside and accept something of doubtful efficiency?

If you saw before you a strong and safe bridge leading to your goal, would you ignore it to try some insecure and tottering structure?

The answers to these questions are plain. You would, of course, choose without hesitation what all evidence showed to be the safe thing, and you would risk nothing in useless experiments.

Why then do some women risk one of their most precious possessions—their health—in trying medicines of unknown value, which may even prove hurtful to them?

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has stood the test of years. It has the largest sale of any remedy for female ills in the world, and nothing could have given it this sale except its own merit.

Do not try experiments, buy what is known to be reliable. Mrs. Pinkham's Compound can do all that is claimed for it, and all statements in regard to it can be easily verified. For instance — Here are six letters which prove our claims.

"I have been for ten years an invalid with female weakness, and the torture and pain I suffered no tongue can tell. I never spent one week in the ten years that I was free from pain. My trouble was inflammation and congestion of the womb. When I commenced to take your remedy I had commenced to take your remeit I had been bedfast for some time under the treatment of two of the best physicians in Illinois without receiving any benefit. You can imagine the benefit I derived from Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound when I tell you that I have gained forty pounds and am well have gained forty pounds and am well

a thing I never dared to expect."—

Mrs. C. E. Foland, Monett, Mo.

"For a number of years I was troubled with backache and leucorrhopa. I became so weak and miser able that I could not attend to my work or studies. The least effort would completely exhaust me. Physi-cians failed to help me. I felt that my youth was blighted, and the life before me would be one of suffering an me would be one of surering and misery. Then a friend insisted on me taking your medicine. Before I had used one bottle I was greatly relieved. I had not known a well day for four years, but now I feel better than I have since a child, and it is all due to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."—Miss May B. Stevenson, Alliance, O.

Backache and Womb Facts About Two Cases Troubles Succumb to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Facts About Two Cases of Falling of the Womb Recovered by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Pinkham's Compound.

"I suffered for fifteen years without finding any relief. I tried doctors, but nothing seemed to do me any good. I had falling of the womb, leucorrhea, pain in the back and head, and those bearing-down pains. One bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound did me so much good that I sent for four more, also two boxes of Liver Pills and one package of Sanative Wash. After using these I felt like a new woman."-Mrs. G. A. Winter, Glidden, Ia., Box 220.

"I was suffering with falling of the womb, painful menstruation, headache, backache, pain in groins, extending into the limbs; also a terrible pain at left womb. The pain in my back was dreadful during menstruation, and my head would ache until I would be nearly crazy. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has given me great relief. I suffer no pain now, and I give your medicine all the praise."—Mrs. J. P. McSpadden, Rosenberg, Tex.

Gray, W. R. Johnston, James W. Graves, W. A. Smith, P. G. Blanchard, Charles Habliston, Fred. Nolting, Guy Davis, R. A. Lancaster, Jr., E. Randolph Wil-liams, Richard Gaines and others.

Mrs. John Skelton Williams gave an elegant luncheon yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The rooms were exquisitely decorated in palms, yellow candles and

out flowers and entwined with the smi ax that festooned the ceiling were yel-low chrysanthemuns. On each of the small tables scattered through the rooms

John Lottier, Dabney Carr, E. T. Crump

E. B. Thomason, Ben. Palmer, J. R. V. Daniel, W. D. Thomas, Josiah Ryland,

Jamei, W. B. Thomas, Josiah Ryanis, Isaac Davenport, James Lyons, Eugene Massle, A. B. Camm, T. N. Carter, Bennehan Cameron, Charles Wortham, Donnan, E. L. Bemiss, Lancaster Wil-llams, John Dunlop, R. Lancaster, Geo. Stevens, Miss Mary Lewis.

kie, J. N. Upshur, Preston Moore, John

P. McGuire, Jr., W. C. Bentley, E. B. Thomason, B. T. Crump and Misses Mary Newton, Emily Cary and Estelle Tayloe. Mrs. Carter Wellford won the first prize.

Mrs. William Duke, who has been staying with her husband at the Lexington,

has returned to her home in Charlottes-

Miss Agnes McCarthy on Grove avanue.

Mr. Ashby Bloxton, of Williamsburg,

is visiting his cousins, the Misses Stamp-er, Mr. Henry W. Stamper, Jr., of Clifton Forge, is spending a few days at

Mrs. John L. Cunningham of North Car-

A Colonial Tea was given at Park Place Methodist church Thursday night. A

very enjoyable programme, consisting of music and recitations, was rendered, af-

music and recitations, was rendered, after which refreshments were served.

There were recitations by Miss Clara V. Becker and Miss Precious Moore, and the songs of the Park Place Male Quartette, composed of Messrs. I. D. Briggs, C.

Eugene Blanton, C. Wilbur Montgomery and Robert Forrest, were much enjoyed. The costumes of colonial days, worn by

the participants, made the scene a very

Miss Ivy Carter, of Portsmouth, is vis-ting her aunt, Mrs. George D-Gaines,

Misses Della Pegram and Pattie Moore

Miss Ellie Seawell, who has been visit-

aunt, Mrs. William Brown, on ing her aunt, Mrs. William Brown, on south Third street, returned to her home

are visiting friends in Petersburg.

Miss Holliday, of Louisa, is visiting

ville.

Ovarian Trou**bles Always** Yield to Lydia E. Pink. ham's Vegetable Compound.

WOMEN.

"I had been in poor health for twenty years, having inflammation of ovaries and womb trouble. Although treated by physicians, I could not gain strength nor do my work, and was so low-spirited and tired of life. 'A friend advised me to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. The first bottle strengthened me, and I wrote to you. After taking six bottles can say that I am well and can even do washing."—Mrs. M. W. Miller, No. 1033 Canal Street, New Orleans, La.

"For three years I suffered with ovarian trouble, having inflammation and an abscess on right ovary. Had such pain in my back and head, and at times was unable to walk. Had several doctors, but they did not do me much good. One doctor said that I would have to have an operation and have the ovary removed. I became discouraged, and gave up all hopes of getting well. I began taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I wrote to Mrs. Pinkham and followed her directions faithfully, and am bether directions faithfully, and am bet-ter than I have been for three years. I have taken ten bottles, and my friends are surprised at my rapid improvement," — Mrs. W. H. Walters, Cold Spring Harbor, L. I. N. Y.

Ethel Pace, Evelyn Gordon, Lisa and Claire Bierne, Lillie Urquhart, Annie Lee Alfriend, Allene Stokes, Berta Nolt-ing, Fannie McGuire, Calvin Bragg, Bes-sie Watkins, Maria Williams, Bessie Lee Grange, Philadelphia; Jennie Baird and Messrs, Pascal Davie, T. M. Wortham, Jordon Leake, Carl Nolting, Granville MR. JONES SPOKE IN THE HOUSE

The Recipient of Many Congratulations on His Efforts.

PORTSMOUTH PUBLIC BUILDING

There is Good Prospect of Getting an small tables scattered through the rooms was a renalssance spread over yellow satin and corsage bouquets of chrysanthemums and daisies.

Mrs. Williams received alone and wore an imported gown of violet broadcloth with applique of velvet erchids. Those present were Mesdames J. Hoge Tyler. James Dooley, R. G. Bennolds, Henry Gibson, Waller Morton, Thomas Rutherfoord, D. Axtell, A. T. Harris, Levin Joynes, Alexander Cameron, Earton Grundy, Geo. Ben. Johnston, Ashton Starke, R. S. Bosher, Lucien Tatum, S. W. Travers, John Riely, B. R. Wellford, John Lottier, Dabney Carr, E. T. Crump. Appropriation Through at This Session-Author of Libelous Statement Held in \$1,500 Bail.

Washington Bureau The Times. 515 Fourteenth street. WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.-Special.-

Representative Jones, of Virginia, deliv ered a speech to-day in the House on the bill providing for levying a duty on the products of Porto Rico coming Into the United States. Mr. Jones' speech showed a deep research and discussion of the constitutional questions of the bill. The speech was well received by the Democrats and the divided Republicans on the bill, and he was the recipient of many congratulations on the able, eloquent and logical manner in which he presented his views.

Senator Daniel, of Virginia, to-day delivered a speech in the Senate on the Quay case. He maintained from a con-stitutional point of view Quay was clear-ly entitled to be seated. Senator Daniel to-day presented the

Senator Daniel to-day presented the petition of J. J. Baldridge and many other citizens of Virginia, praying Congress to authorize the appointment of a veterinary corps in the United States army. He also introduced a bill to refer the claim of John Mosley, of Virginia, to

the claim of John Mosely, of Viginia, to the Court of Claims for report.

Senator Pritchard, of North Carolina, to-day introduced bills to pension Isabella Underwood and Nancy Oats,*of North Carolina, and to record the military re-cord of Robert N. Boyd. PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Senate Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds has reported favorably the bills to appropriate \$125,000 to complete the public building at Newport News, also the bill to creet a public building at Portsment Vigginia at a cost of \$150. Portsmouth, Virginia, at a cost of 000. Representative Young, of said to-day he thought the House Com-mittee would also report the latter bil in a few days, and that its passage at this session of Congress was practically

House Committee on Naval Affairs has reported favorably the bill to construct a new dry dock at the Norfolk Navy Yard. The committee recommend that \$25,000 be appropriated to commence the work of construction.

Jay G. Holland, who recently made a libelous statement in the press cancern.

libelous statement in the press concern ing United States Senator James P. Talla. of Florida, has been held by the terro, or Fiorial, has been field by the United States Court in \$1,500 ball for the action of the grand jury.

At the preliminary hearing it was shown that the charges, so far as relating to Senator Taliaferro, were absolutely with-

out truth, and it is stated the whole story is the outgrowth of political ene-mies. That Senator Taliaferro's name should have been connected with the statement is deeply deplored. The postoffice at Rustic, Charles City county, Va., has been discontinued. Mail

Annie B. Sealock has been appointed postmaster at Mosby, Virginia.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL. Mr William Habliston gave an ele-

gant card party Tuesday evening at his bachelor apartments, on Sixth street. Mr. and Mrs. R. Lancaster Williams evening at his were the chaperones. The young ladies played from 8 to 10 o'clock, when they were joined by the

Superintendent and Mrs. A. D. Cotton gave an enjoyable Washington Birthday party Thursday evening at the home of Dr. R. A. Nichols, No. 205 Grace street, in honor of Rev. and Mrs. Harry Minentlemer. The decorations were red and white roses, and the ladies scored with tiny hatchets, cherries and red, white and nick, of Lubeck, Me.

blue resettes. The first prize, a minia-ture cherry tree and hatchet, was won by Miss Calvin Brags. Miss Ethel Paco captured the consolation, a large red blue rosettes. The first prize, a minfa-fure cherry tree and hatchet, was won by Miss Calvin Bragg. Miss Ethel Pace captured the consolation, a large red hatchet. Among the guests were: Misses Eliza-beth Lee, of Alexandria; Edna Forbes,

of 703 west Clay street.

last Monday.

PREACHER CALLED IN PETERSBURG

Park View Church Writes Rev. J. Preston Lewis to Come.

PETERSBURGER BACK FROM CUBA

W. D. Smith Home After Seven Years' Service in the U. S. Cavalry-Judge Mullen to Reader an Important Decision-A Wedding.

PETERSBURG, VA., Feb. 23 -Spec'at. The congregation of Park View Ciristian church extended a unanimous call to Rev. J. Preston Lewis, of Wise county, last night. Mr. Lewis has been conducting a series of services at this church, and his sermons were so well received that the membership hastened to extend a call.

rark View church has been struggling for several years, and it begun to seem that the efforts of the fai.hful workers, will bring good results. When Colonel W. Gordon McC. be moved

his school to Richmond the small body of Christians purchased the building Mrs. James C. Lamb gave a literary ten yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock in honor of her guests, Miss Alice Brockenbrough, of Richmond county, and Miss Pole, of Hot Springs. Receiving with Mrs. Lamb and her guests were Mrs. J. J. Sutton and Misses Brownie Benson and Lizzie Archer. Mrs. John Hunter served the

son and Dizzie Archer. Arts, John Hun-ter served the punch.

Among those present were Mrs. S. W.

Travers, J. R. V. Daniel, William
Meade Clark, Carlton Jackson, Overton
Howard, Pattison, Carter Wellford, of
Sabin Hall; R. B. Wellford, James Cas-Mr. W. D. Smith, a well-known young Petersburger, has returned home from Cuba, where he went some time ago as a member of the United States civalry. He has served seven years, the term of his enlistment, and has now come home

his enlistment, and his now come nome to visit his mother.

Mr. Smith will not return to Cuba, and has not yet determined whether or not he will re-enlist in the army.

Juoge Mullen will render his decision in

the attachment suits of Daniel Rahly and others against the T. F. Ryan Company on Monday. The omission of an in-litial in the name of one of the parties in a published notice raised an interesting question during the argument of the case, it being contended that omission invalidated the notice contemplated by law.

TALBOTT-SERMONS.

Mr. H. Eugene Taibott and Miss Marian A. Sermons, a popular young couple, were quietly married at St. John's church last evening by the pastor, kev. W. A. R. Goodwin. They have the distinction of being the first couple married in the lecture-room of the new church.

Mr. Edward Wynne, a young man just seventeen years of age, died at his mether's home, on Byrne street, this morning. olina, will be for a few days the guest of Mrs. John A. Lancaster, 300 west Grace street.

ng. The Virginian Club gave a german at

Library Hall to-night. Several young people from Richmond were present. Mr. John G. Bagwell, who was operated on yesterday for poritonils, is getting

on well.

Mrs. John Moyler gave a card party at her home, on Friend street, last night. The score cards were little Washington natchets, and a cherry tree stood on each

Major Charles S. Stringfellow, of Richnond, was in the city to-day.

It is rumored that Hon. W. P. McRas.

who is now representing Petersburg in the Legislature, will become a condidate for Commonwealth's Attorney for this

Old Dominion Club.

The Executive Committee of the Oid Dominion Democratic Club held a meet-ing last evening to consider plans for the coming campaign. Political matters were discussed in an informal manner, but no action was taken.

Plans will be presented and some definite step will, in all probability, be taken at the next regular meeting of the Club, which will be held the second Tuesday of March.

Height of the River.

The height of the river at Columbia from latest reports, is about fourteen feet. The water is rising very slowly. No apprehension is felt hore, as there has been no considerable rise, and if the change continues as alight, some is expected.

Many Attend Services at Leigh-Street Baptist Church,

Reunion on June 1-4 inclusive.

them thanks.

klel 33, 11, "Lum."

Baptist Church.

Interest in the special services at the Leigh-Street Baptist church continues unabated, an especially large crowd being present last night. After the prayer and song service, during which Rev. J. O. Kirk, Dr. E. V. Baldy and Dr. Wilingham led in special prayer, Dr. Carter Helm Jones took charge of the service, and after reading the Scriptures and leading in a brief prayer, announced as his text just one word, found in Ezeklel 23, 11, "Lum."

The sermon seemed to produce a pro-found impression.

It has been decided that Dr. Jones will preach to-night at 8 o'clock to men only, and a cordial invitation is extended to men and boys generally to altend the Dr. Jones will preach at o'clock A. M. and at S o'clock P. M. to-morrow, and will continue to preach during the week.

Cotton Mill Organized. COLUMBIA, S. C., Feb. 21.—The Kershaw Cotton Mill was organized to-day; capital stock, \$150,000. The Anderson Cotton Mill increased its capital stock to \$600,000.

final.'
"This section not only provides for the reasonable regulations of the corporate authorities as to the use of its streets and alleys, in respect to the location and maintenance of the lines, but it also provides that the company shall not begin the construction of its lines in any city or town until an effort has been made by it to agree with such eity or town or town until an effort has been made by it to agree with such city or town upon such reasonable regulations; and that only upon such failure to agree, either party shall have a right of petition to the Corporation or Circuit Court hav-ing jurisdiction over the city or town, which court shall hear evidence and de-termine what are reasonable regulations Nothing could be fairer than that. If the city only proposes to enact reasonable regulations or to require the performance of reasonable conditions as to entry into the city, then there will be no contention whatsoever. The rights of the city and of the company will be determined by mutual consent. If the city demands unreasonable conditions or proposes unlawful exactions, then the matter will be heard and determined by their own court

work, command the respect of litigants. If the city and town councils mean to do right, then why should they object to their own courts acting as arbiters where a difference arises? If they do not expect to do what is right in relation to a work of a general and mubile pacessity, then of a general and public necessity, then they ought not to be allowed to do what is wrong. The history of municipal government in this country has many instances where the private interests of members of the municipal legislative bodies have influenced these bodies to sacrifice the interest of the public for their own private personal gain. And, while every municipal body should have while every municipal body should have to the fullest extent the right of self-gov-

tist church, at Pine and Grace streets, the night of Friday, March 2d, will be at-tended by all music lovers of this city. A splendid array of talent has been secured

female tenor, will also be there.

THE GENUINE DR. DAVID'S Cough Syrup sells for 25 cents a bottle, as every bottle is richly worth a dollar, it cures Coughs, Colds, Croup, Bronchitis,

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